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No.6/13/2015-NE.I GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

North Block, New Delhi Dated 24th August, 2016

To

Shri S.C. Sharma Designated Officer, CIC August Kranti Bhawan, Room No.S-340, Bhikaji Cama Place New Delhi – 110 066.

Subject: - Notice of Hearing on 27.07.2016.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the compliant No. CIC/CC/C/2016/000029 and Decision Order dated 27.07.2016 (recd. in this Ministry on 03.08.2016) regarding decision order dated 27.07.2016, directing the respondent (MHA) to give detailed justification on point 1 to 4 and 6 to 7 of the RTI application to the Commission with a copy to the appellant within 30 days of the order. MHA has also been directed to furnish information within 30 days on point No. 5 of the RTI application along with the justification thereof.

2. The detailed justification of MHA i.r.o point No. 1 to 4 of the RTI Application is given as below:-

"The issue being highly sensitive and the final agreement is yet to be reached, a copy of the Framework Agreement cannot be provided in national security interest. Hence, the information is exempted under Section 8(1) (a) of Chapter –II of the RTI Act, 2005".

3. Reply of MHA i.r.o point No. 5 of the RTI Application is as under:-

"Government of India Interlocutor is also the Chairman, Joint Intelligence Committee National Security Council Secretariat. He is not paid any remuneration or allowance or account on Interlocutor's responsibility. The following officials are working in the office of Govt. of India Representative for Naga Peace Talks. Their salary details are enclosed as Annexure-A

- 1. Shri S.S. Sachdeva Consultant
- 2. Shri M.L. Saha Consultant."
- 4. The detailed justification of MHA i.r.o point No. 6 of the RTI Application is given as below:-

"The issue is sensitive & of national security and cannot be revealed. Hence, the information is exempted under Section 8(1) (a) of Chapter –II of the RTI Act, 2005".

5. The detailed justification of MHA i.r.o point No. 7 of the RTI Application is given as below:-

"NSCN representatives made their own arrangements for travel and logistics".

6. In view of above, it is requested that the appeal may kindly be disposed off.

Yours faithfully,

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Deputy Secretary (NE-III) & CPIO

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